



COMMONWEALTH *OF* VIRGINIA

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Right of Way Use Fees

All Cities, Counties and Towns
All Certificated Local Exchange Providers

Ladies and Gentlemen:

On July 1, 1998, changes to the Code of Virginia providing for the establishment of a public right of way use fee to cover the use of highway and street right of way by certificated providers of telecommunication services became effective. The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) is responsible, under § 56-468.1, for calculating the monthly fee per access line and reporting it to all affected localities and certificated providers of local exchange telephone services.

Annual Reports received indicate there were 4,768,833 access lines and 7,597,854 feet of new installation as of September 30, 2000. We have calculated the public right of way use fee based upon that information to be \$0.63 per access line for the period July 1, 2001, through June 30, 2002.

All telecommunication companies affected by this legislation, should take the necessary steps to include the charge on their billings and to submit collections to the appropriate governmental entity. Monies due to VDOT should be sent to Ms. Stacy D. McCracken, Fiscal Administrator, at the above address.

The information indicated on the attached Annual Report form is to be reported to VDOT for next year's recalculation by December 1, 2001. Also attached is a Remittance Advice form for your use. Should there be any questions regarding the right of way use fee, please contact Mr. S. A. Waymack, Director of Right of Way and Utilities Division, at (804) 786-2923.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. O. Nottingham".

Charles D. Nottingham
Commissioner

Enclosure

Cc: Virginia Association of Counties
Virginia Municipal League
Virginia Telecommunication Industry Association
State Corporation Commission
Ms. Stacy D. McCracken
Mr. S. A. Waymack

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